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In Re the Application of:

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For: "THIN FILM TRANSISTOR AND

METHOD OF FABRICATING THE

SAME"

Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 2815

Examiner: Eckert II, G.

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In an Office Action dated October 12, 2001 (Paper No. 7), the Examiner issued a Restriction Requirement with regard to the above-identified patent application. Generally, the Examiner indicated that Claims 1-6 and Claims 7-12 were distinct inventions. Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Claims 7-12 in this patent application. However, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue Claims 1-6 in a subsequent divisional/continuation application.

Respectfully submitted,

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